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TRANSACTIONS

OF THE

Moravian Historical Society.

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

MORAVIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

ARTICLE I. This association shall be called "The Moravian Historical Society," and its object shall be the elucidation of the History of the Moravian Church in America, not, however, to the exclusion of the general History of the Moravian Church.

ARTICLE II. The Society shall be composed of such persons as have been, or may be, admitted, from time to time, according to its laws and regulations.

ARTICLE III. The Officers of the Society shall be annually chosen, by a majority of ballots, at the Annual Meeting in October, and shall consist of a President, not more than ten Vice Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer and a Librarian. The Officers so chosen shall enter upon the duties of their office immediately after the Annual Meeting in October. If the Society neglect to hold an election at the specified time, then the Officers of the preceding year shall continue in office until the next annual election.

ARTICLE IV. It shall be the duty of the President, or in his absence, of the Vice Presidents, in rotation, to preside at the meetings of the Society, to preserve order, to regulate the debates, to state motions and questions, and to announce the decisions thereupon. If neither the President nor any of the Vice Presidents be present at a meeting, the Society may choose a member to act as President at that meeting.

ARTICLE V. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct and have charge of the correspondence of the Society, and shall assist the Recording Secretary in the reading of all letters and other documents at the meetings.

ARTICLE VI. The Recording Secretary shall keep full and correct minutes of the proceedings of the Society, and shall transcribe the same into a book of record. He shall give due notice of any special meeting that may be called.

ARTICLE VII. The Treasurer shall have charge of the moneys and other funds belonging to the Society. He shall collect the contributions of the members, and other income of the Society, and shall pay such claims against the Society as

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shall have been duly examined and ordered to be paid. He shall present, at the Annual Meeting, a statement of his receipts and expenditures during the preceding year, with a full report on the financial condition of the Society.

ARTICLE VIII. The Librarian shall have charge of the books, manuscripts, and other property in the rooms of the Society, and shall arrange and preserve the same in proper and convenient order. He shall keep a catalogue of the books, manuscripts, and other donations, with the names of the donors. At the Annual Meeting he shall present a report to the Society, embracing an account of his administration of the Library, and of its condition during the preceding year.

ARTICLE IX. Vacancies which may occur in any of the above named offices shall be filled by an election at the next stated meeting after such vacancy shall have been announced to the Society; but such election shall be only for the unexpired term of the person vacating the office.

ARTICLE X. The Society shall hold Stated Meetings on the second Monday evening of January, April, July and October. Special Meetings may be called by the President, or in his absence, by any of the Vice Presidents, at the written request of at least three members of the Society; of which meetings due notice must be given. The members present at any meeting shall constitute a quorum. The Annual Meeting shall be held in the month of October, on such day as the Executive Committee may appoint.

ARTICLE XI. No alteration shall be made in this Constitution unless the proposed amendments shall have been drawn up in writing and read to the Society at the Quarterly Meeting next preceding the one at which the question shall be taken upon their adoption. Nor shall any such amendment be considered as adopted unless sanctioned by the votes of three-fourths of the members present at the meeting at which the question shall be taken.

LAWS OF THE MORAVIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

ARTICLE I. Any person belonging to the Moravian Church may become an active member upon application to any officer of the Society.

ARTICLE II. Any person not belonging to the Moravian Church may be elected an honorary member at the same Stated Meeting at which his name shall have been proposed, as a candidate, to the Society.

ARTICLE III. Those active members shall be deemed qualified voters at the meetings and elections, who have subscribed the Constitution, and who have paid all their dues to the Society.

ARTICLE IV. All active members shall pay an annual contribution of no less than half a dollar. The payment of ten dollars, at one time, by a member not in arrears to the Society, shall constitute him a member for life, with an exemption from all future annuals payments. And any member liable to annual contribution, who shall neglect or refuse to pay the same for the term of two years, shall be notified by the Treasurer, in writing, that his rights as a member are suspended—and in case the said arrears are not paid when the third annual contribution shall have become due, the membership of such defaulting member shall then be forfeited, his name stricken from the roll and reported to the Society by the Treasurer.

ARTICLE V. Honorary members may attend any meeting of the Society.

ARTICLE VI. At the Annual Meeting in October, five managers shall be chosen by the Society, who, together with the officers of the Society, shall constitute an Executive Committee, with full power to direct the business affairs of the Society: and they shall meet on the fourth Monday of every month.

ARTICLE VII. All committees shall be chosen, unless the Society shall otherwise direct, on nominations previously made and seconded, the question being taken on the appointment of each member of the committee separately. The member first elected of any committee shall be chairman, and considered responsible for the discharge of the duties of the Committee. A majority of any Special Committee shall be a quorum.

ARTICLE VIII. The Executive Committee shall present, at the Annual Meeting, a report upon the transactions, and general condition of the Society during the preceding year

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